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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Dear Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, it is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be entered and the document listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record. A copy of the listed document required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2) is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

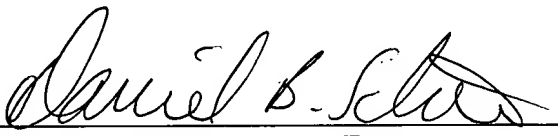
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Applicant(s) respectfully request that the listed document be made of record in the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

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